

Kentucky Building Inspector Certification Program (KBICP)

NCPCCI Exams vs. ICC Exams

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The Office of Housing, Buildings and Construction/ Division of Building Code Enforcement has accepted the ICC's building inspector certification examinations as an equivalent alternative to the NCPCCI examinations since November of 2004. The administrative regulation that governs the KBICP was amended in 2005 to allow the Office to accept or recognize other examinations as equivalent to the listed NCPCCI examinations. Representatives of the ICC Certification Program have demonstrated that the ICC building inspector certification examinations cover the same codes and require the same level of knowledge as the NCPCCI examinations. The ICC exams are organized differently and include combination exams that allow the applicant to complete the same level of certification with less time, money and effort. Please note that the ICC exams have more questions than the typical NCPCCI exams that have fifty (50) multiple choice questions.

LEVEL III CERTIFIED BUILDING INSPECTOR

Here are the ICC exams that are equivalent to the NCPCCI exams required to be a Kentucky Level III Certified Building Inspector (includes Plans and Specifications Inspector).

NCPCCI exams for Ky Level III (8 exams)	ICC exams for Ky Level III (4 exams)
1A , One- and Two-Family Dwelling General	B1 , Residential Building Inspector
1B , Building General	B3 , Building Plans Examiner
1C , Building Plan Review	
3B , Fire Protection General	
3C , Fire Protection Plan Review	
4A , One- and Two-Family Dwelling Mechanical	M1 , Residential Mechanical Inspector
4B , Mechanical General	M3 , Mechanical Plans Examiner
4C , Mechanical Plan Review	

LEVEL II CERTIFIED BUILDING INSPECTOR

Here are the ICC exams that are equivalent to the NCPCCI exams required to be a Kentucky Level II Certified Building Inspector.

NCPCCI exams for Ky Level II (5 exams)	ICC exams for Ky Level II (3 exams)
1A , One- and Two-Family Dwelling General	B1 , Residential Building Inspector
1B , Building General	B2 , Commercial Building Inspector
3B , Fire Protection General	
4A , One- and Two-Family Dwelling Mechanical	M2 , Mechanical Inspector
4B , Mechanical General	

***NOTE:** Level II's that aspire to be Level III should take M3 instead of M2 and thereby save the cost of one additional examination

LEVEL I CERTIFIED BUILDING INSPECTOR

Here are the ICC exams that are equivalent to the NCPCCI exams required to be a Kentucky Level I Certified Building Inspector.

NCPCCI exams for Ky Level I (4 exams)	ICC exams for Ky Level I (3 exams)
1A , One- and Two-Family Dwelling General	B1 , Residential Building Inspector
1B , Building General	B2 , Building Plans Examiner
3B , Fire Protection General	
4A , One- and Two-Family Dwelling Mechanical	M1 , Residential Mechanical Inspector

ONE- & TWO-FAMILY DWELLING INSPECTOR

Here are the ICC exams that are equivalent to the NCPCCI exams required to be a Kentucky Certified One- and Two-Family Dwelling Inspector

NCPCCI exams for Ky 1 & 2 Family Dwelling Insp.	ICC exams for Ky 1 & 2 Family Dwelling Insp.
1A , One- and Two-Family Dwelling General	B1 , Residential Building Inspector
4A , One- and Two-Family Dwelling Mechanical	M1 , Residential Mechanical Inspector